

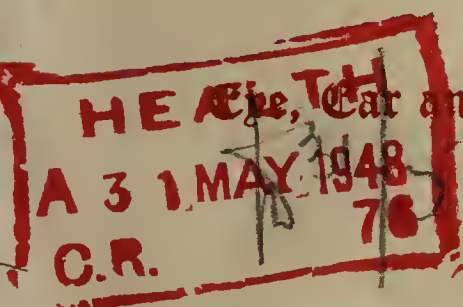
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# REPORT



Ear and Throat Hospital for Shropshire and Wales  
Shrewsbury

Notice is hereby given that the  
130th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
will be held at the Hospital, Murivance,  
Shrewsbury, on Wednesday, 9th June, 1948,  
at 2.30 p.m.

By Order of the Committee,

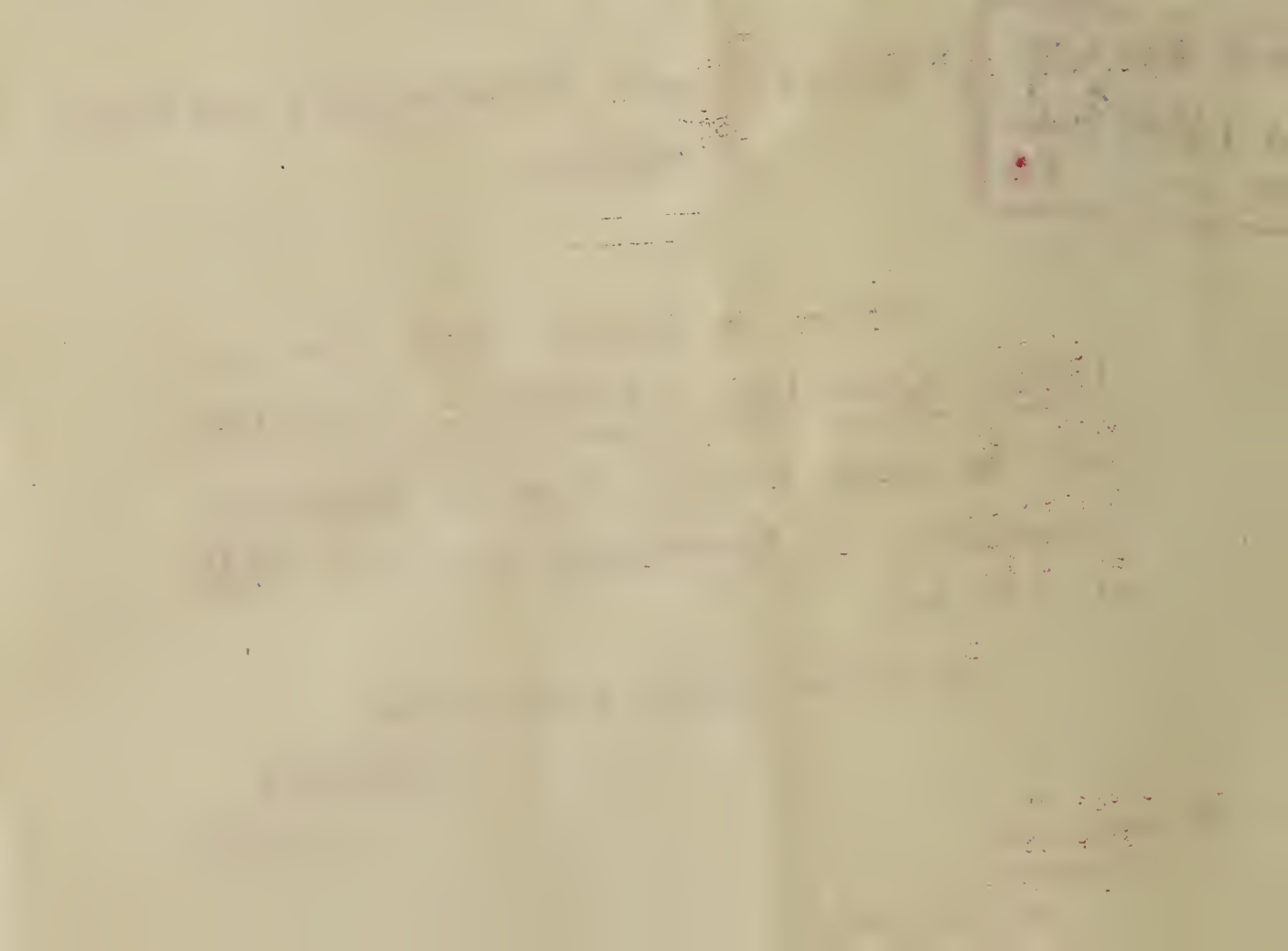
C. S. ASBURY,

Secretary

13a College Hill

Shrewsbury

31st May, 1948



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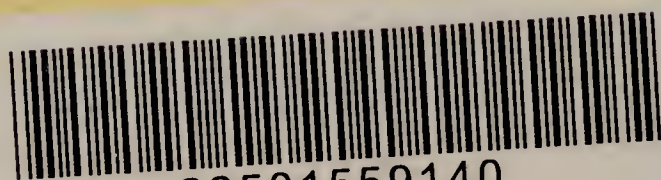
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# Eye, Ear and Throat Hospital

FOR

SHROPSHIRE AND WALES

## SHREWSBURY

SUPPORTED BY VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS  
and established in 1818 for the relief of the really poor and  
destitute.

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DISPENSARY ESTABLISHED 1818.

HOSPITAL OPENED 1868.

NEW HOSPITAL, MURIVANCE, 1881.

EXTENSIONS GIVING ACCOMMODATION FOR 45 BEDS COMPLETED  
1926. FURTHER EXTENSIONS GIVING ACCOMMODATION FOR  
46 BEDS IN THE GENERAL WARDS AND 7 PRIVATE WARDS,  
COMPLETED 1932.

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MAJOR A. HEYWOOD LONSDALE.

*Trustees :*

MAJOR R. C. HOLCROFT.

EDMUND C. TAYLOR, Esq., J.P.



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*Refractionist* : MISS DOROTHY FAITHFULL.

*Orthoptist* : MISS FRANCES BALKWILL.

*Dispenser* : MR. A. H. J. TAYLOR.

*Opticians* : MESSRS. ROBINSON & Co., LTD., The Square, Shrewsbury.  
MR. E. W. IRWIN, St. Mary's Street, Shrewsbury.  
MESSRS. RAYNER's, St. John's Hill, Shrewsbury.

*Auditors* : MESSRS. HARPER, KENT & WHEELER, Incorporated Accountants.

### DAYS AND HOURS OF ATTENDANCE :

**EYE CASES** ... .. **Monday, Wednesday and Friday.**

**EAR, NOSE and THROAT CASES** **Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.**

**From 9 to 11 o'clock, except for patients arriving by train from distant parts, who will be seen up to 12 noon, on notice being given. The Outpatient Department is closed on Sundays and Bank Holidays.**

Tel. Nos. : Hospital, Shrewsbury **3683** ; Secretary's Office, Shrewsbury **4598.**

## Surgeons' Report for 1947

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The essential figures for 1947 are given below :—

Total Outpatients	...	...	...	...	8,768
New Outpatients	...	...	...	...	5,739
Total Outpatient Attendances	...	...	...	...	20,240
Inpatients	...	...	...	...	2,029
Major Operations (E.N.T.)	...	...	...	...	1,368
Major Operations (Eye)	...	...	...	...	241
Tonsil and Adenoid Operations performed at Berrington Hospital (Nov.—Dec.)	...	...	...	...	99
Removal of Foreign Bodies from the Eye	...	...	...	...	844
Cases of Ophthalmia Neonatorum	...	...	...	...	33
Orthoptic Department :—					
Total Attendances—New Cases	...	...	...	...	370
Total Attendances	...	...	...	...	1,947

The figures for the year show a very slight decrease in certain respects, but surprisingly little when it is remembered that during four months of the year, our activities were greatly curtailed by the widespread epidemic of Infantile Paralysis. None but acute and urgent cases were admitted to the wards; operations were limited, and outpatient attendances declined during that period.

The closest co-operation has been secured with the Royal Salop Infirmary in the Radio-therapeutic treatment of Malignant Disease.

A new development which will, we hope, become increasingly important, is the appointment of a Rehabilitation Officer to instruct inpatients in various occupations of an interesting and constructive nature,

Generally speaking, there has been marked "stepping up" of the efficiency of the Hospital in every way during the last few years, under the wise direction of our very able and devoted Chairman and Committee, to whom we would offer our best thanks for their generous help and encouragement at all times. The equipment of the Hospital, quite apart from the new departments, has been almost completely modernised and vastly improved, perhaps most notably in the Operating Theatres, but also in the less dramatic sections such as the Dispensary. It is not always realised how much the Theatres as well as the Surgeons and Patients depend upon a first class Dispenser such as Mr. Taylor.

The establishment of a Medical Board a few years ago has been of inestimable value, and we offer to all our colleagues our warmest thanks for their skilled co-operation.

We would also wish to record our appreciation of the ever willing and efficient service of the Matron, the Nursing and the Clerical Staff.

Last, but certainly not least, we take an opportunity which, sadly, may not occur again, of extending to Mr. C. S. Asbury, on behalf of the whole professional Staff, a very special word of appreciation and high regard for his great and devoted work throughout many years to the welfare of the Hospital, the patients and ourselves.

F. A. ANDERSON.

S. W. G. HARGROVE.

IAN C. FRASER.



# Annual Report

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The Committee of Management have pleasure in submitting the 130th Annual Report of the Hospital, together with the Surgeons' Report and the audited Statement of Accounts, for the year ended 31st December, 1947. This will be the last complete year on which your present Committee will report, as the Hospital will be taken over by the State on 5th July next under the terms of The National Health Service Act 1946. As from that date this Hospital will form one of a group administered by the Birmingham Regional Hospital Board.

It is with great regret that we refer to the death of Mr. Frederick Plimley which occurred on 18th June, 1947. Although Mr. Plimley had not been able to take any active interest in the Hospital for the last few years, his work in the years from 1920 to 1930 will long be remembered by his colleagues.

Captain Barnes has retired from the Committee as he has gone to live in the South of England. We wish him much happiness in his retirement and thank him for the many years of work which he devoted to this Hospital.

As will be seen from the Surgeons' Report appearing on page 3 a vast amount of work has been accomplished during the year. An arrangement has been completed with the Shropshire County Council by which we have 24 beds at Berrington Hospital for the treatment of School Children requiring operations for Tonsils and Adenoids. This has relieved the waiting list somewhat, but there are still far too many cases waiting attention.

The Accounts for the year which are published with this Report show that Income was maintained at a reasonably satisfactory level. Subscriptions and Donations shewed a small decrease but this was expected having regard to the imminence of State Control. The Shropshire Voluntary Hospitals Contributory Association again put up an excellent performance and £4,476 18s. 5d. was received from this source. The total Income from all sources was £12,347 17s. 8d.

Expenditure has been very heavy. In addition to increases under such headings as Provisions, considerable sums have been spent on Instruments and Surgical Equipment. To some extent this is merely making good the replacements which, but for the War, would have been carried out years ago. Included in the Expenditure is the cost of converting and equipping the new Nurses' Home at No. 6, Claremont Buildings.

The total Expenditure is £25,649 16s. 10d., and there is thus an excess of Expenditure over Ordinary Income of £13,301 19s. 2d. Against this have been set the following:—

	£	s.	d.
Legacies ... ..	6,188	0	0
Do. (1946—earmarked for Nurses' Home) ...	1,172	6	10
1st Distribution of Combined Hospitals Appeal	3,269	10	0
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	10,629	16	10
leaving a Deficit of ... ..	2,672	2	4
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	£13,301	19	2
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Last year we said "We can, however, see our way to finance our Hospital out of reserves until the State assumes financial responsibility." Writing this report when the "appointed day" is only two months away, we can say with certainty that after repaying the Bank overdraft there will be a substantial amount of Investments to hand over.

The Committee have been successful in renting No. 6, Claremont Buildings from the Corporation of Shrewsbury for use as a Nurses' Home. This has been furnished and equipped during the year and is proving a very satisfactory acquisition.

The method of recruitment of Nurses has been under review, and arrangements have been made with The Royal Salop Infirmary whereby all probationers entering that Hospital, having completed a certain portion of their training, are transferred to our Hospital for experience in our specialist work.

We are indebted to the Oakengates & District Darts League for gifts of Wireless Sets and to the "Friends of the Hospital" Organisation founded by Mr. Sursham for gifts of money, wireless sets, etc. The Ladies' Guild has again given excellent service,

The year 1947 will be regarded as one of the most difficult within living memory. Blizzards, snow and floods accompanied by electricity cuts characterised the early months, and conditions all through the year have been accentuated by staff shortages and rationing difficulties. It is, therefore, with a realization of these troubles overcome that your Committee express their thanks to the Surgeons, House Surgeons and Matron and her Staff for their loyalty and good service.

This is the last report on a full year's work which your Committee will submit because, as has already been stated, the Hospital will be transferred to the State on 5th July next. I would like to conclude on a personal note and to say how much I have enjoyed and appreciated the support which the public have given to the Hospital ever since I became Chairman of the Committee on the death of Mr. H. F. Harries, in 1928. I also want to express to the members of the Committee and Mr. C. S. Asbury how greatly I have valued their unfailing assistance and guidance in the many difficult situations which have arisen during my term of office.

We, as a Committee, hand over to the Birmingham Regional Hospital Committee a compact well-equipped Specialist Hospital which has been in existence for 130 years. We wish the new organisation the utmost success and hope that its service to the public will be maintained and increased.

EDMUND C. TAYLOR,

CHAIRMAN.

*May, 1948.*



FORM OF BEQUEST  
OF THE  
Eye, Ear and Throat Hospital  
FOR  
Shropshire and Wales

The following Form of Legacy is submitted to Benefactors desirous of assisting this Charity by will :—

*I give and bequeath to the Treasurer for the time  
being of the Eye, Ear and Throat Hospital for Shropshire  
and Wales, the Sum of £ Free of Legacy  
Duty, to be paid out of such part of my Estate as may be  
legally bequeathed for Charitable purposes, to be applied to  
the general use of the Hospital.*

Subscriptions may be paid to the Hon. Treasurer, LLOYDS BANK LIMITED, Pride Hill, or to the Secretary, C. S. Asbury, Chartered Accountant, 13a College Hill, Shrewsbury.

## THE EYE, EAR AND THROAT HOSPITAL FOR SHROPSHIRE AND WALES

### INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT, Year ended 31st December, 1947

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### REPAIRS EQUALISATION ACCOUNT

1947						£	s.	d.	1947						£	s.	d.
Jan.	1—	To Balance brought forward	...	...	...	323	8	2	Dec.	31—	By Expenditure during year	...	...	...	1401	15	0
Dec.	31—	„ Transfer to General Account representing average annual expenditure for last 5 years	...	...	...	602	7	4									
		Balance carried forward	...	...	...	475	19	6									
						£1401	15	0							£1401	15	0

**SUPERANNUATION FUND ACCOUNT, Year ended 31st December, 1947**

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**SUPERANNUATION FUND TO DATE**

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Legacies ... .. .	5361	16	5	By Investments, viz. :—							
" Transfers from Extensions Account ... .. .	214	4	8	£400 3¼% Sudan Govt. Stock at Cost ... .. .	403	17	0				
" Transfers from General Account ... .. .	381	2	1	£508 17s. 2d. 3½% Essex C.C. Stock at Cost ... .. .	500	0	0				
" Interests on Investments (Net) ... .. .	1118	0	4	£524 6s. 9d. 3% National Defence at Cost ... .. .	500	0	0				
" Income Tax Recovered thereon ... .. .	739	11	7	£1000 3% Coventry Corp'n. Stock at Cost ... .. .	1000	0	0				
				£3041 8s. 3d. 3% Funding Stock ... .. .	3016	8	0				
				£250 2½% National War Bonds at Cost ... .. .	250	0	0				
				£300 Savings Bonds ... .. .	300	0	0				
									5970	5	0
				.. Cash at Bank ... .. .					257	12	2
				.. Annuities paid ... .. .					1505	18	10
				.. Sundry Debtors ... .. .					80	19	1
	<u>£7814</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>1</u>						<u>£7814</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>1</u>

## GENERAL SUMMARY

1947					1947						
Jan. 1—To Petty Cash in hands of Matron ... ..					Jan. 1—By Bank overdraft, after adjustment of Debtors and Creditors : General Account						
				80	0	0			1810	9	9
									5784	11	0
									80	0	0
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## AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

We have audited the foregoing Account with the books and vouchers of the Hospital, and certify it to be correct and satisfactorily vouched.

OLD BANK BUILDINGS,  
BELLSTONE,  
SHREWSBURY.  
20th May, 1948.

HARPER, KENT & WHEELER,  
*Incorporated Accountants.*









